

REMARKS

Response to Rejection of Claims 45, 46, and 49 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

The Office has rejected claims 45 and 49 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wilk (5551098), the Office has rejected claims 45 and 46 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Isbit (6256800).

In accordance with the telephonic interview conducted on June 2, 2005, Applicant has amended claims 45 and 46 consistent therewith, wherein it was mutually agreed that the art of record, including Wilk and Isbit, does not teach the limitations of claims 45 and 46 as currently amended.

Response to Rejection of Claims 46 and 47 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The Office has rejected claims 46 and 47 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tanaka et al. (5201080) in view of Tsipov (5513396), the Office has rejected claims 47-50 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Isbit (6256800).

In accordance with the telephonic interview conducted on June 2, 2005, Applicant has amended claims 45 and 46 consistent therewith, wherein it was mutually agreed that the art of record, including Tanaka et al., Tsipov, Wilk, and Isbit, does not teach the limitations of claims 45 and 46 as currently amended.

CONCLUSION

- 1.) Claims 45-50 are pending. Applicant has amended claims 45 and 46 to facilitate removal of the restriction requirement of October 01, 2004 and May 03, 2005. Applicant requests that claims 51-53, 60-67, 75-113 be entered for examination.
- 2.) Applicant submits new claims 75-113 for examination. New claims 76-79 were formerly canceled claims 2-5, respectively (which were previously restricted). New claims 81-83 were formerly canceled claims 8-10, respectively (which were previously restricted). New claims 85-87 were formerly canceled claims 12-14, respectively (which were previously restricted). New claims 89-91 were formerly canceled claims 17-19, respectively (which were previously restricted). New claims 93-96 were formerly canceled claims 21-24, respectively (which were previously restricted). New claims 98-100 were formerly canceled claims 27-29, respectively (which were previously restricted). New claims 102-105 were formerly canceled claims 31-34, respectively (which were previously restricted). New claims 107-109 were formerly canceled claims 37-39, respectively (which were previously restricted).

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